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In re Application of :  
Van de Ven et al. :  
Application No. 09/057,838 :  
Filed: April 9, 1998 :  
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed May 10, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the non-final Office action mailed July 3, 2002. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on October 4, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 27, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 2600 for further examination on the merits.

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